

# **ENVISION BREWSTER**

Thursday, July 25, 2013

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## **Discussion Items:**

1. Opportunity Area - *status and strategic implementation plan*
2. Consolidated Funding Applications - updates
  - a. Street Lights and Sidewalk Project (NYSERDA): *Village engineer working on scope and costs for CFA – suggested at least conduit be installed for future fiber optics, etc. regardless of major utilities not being approved for underground installation*
  - b. Landmarks Preservation Society of Southeast (NYS OPRHP): *85% complete – as of 7/18/13. Working on budgets, deed and municipal endorsement*
  - c. The Town of Southeast Cultural Arts Coalition (NYS OPRHP): *potential application for planning funds*
  - d. Comprehensive Plan & Zoning Codes Updates
  - e. Other Applications:
3. Village Projects
  - a. Parking Garage: *scheduling meeting with DEP – deed transfer and survey needs to be completed – must also check on diverter claus*
  - b. River Walk – Passive Recreation Park: *waiting for retrofits to be completed – 24 months away – long range goal – tie into Bike & Hike and the PCLT Diverting Reservoir Trail*
  - c. Westchester Putnam Workforce Investment Board/Putnam Workforce Partnership: *establish presence or link through transportation, improved bus service*
  - d. Stateline Enterprises: *this project is on a “fast track” and will not apply for CFA – ground breaking anticipated for November 2013. Long term goal is for sewer extension to attract additional investment for adjoining properties*
4. Garden Street School
  - a. Valuation / Appraisal
  - b. Marketing for sale or long term lease
5. Greenway
  - a. *Application due September 7, 2013 – request \$10,000 for “Phase II” for an update of the Comp Plan. The grant requires a 50% match – which can consist of the County Planner and private funding*
6. Village / Developer: Memorandum of Understanding
  - a. Agreement executed by all parties
7. Comprehensive Plan
  - a. Establish Committee – *confirmation of members on August 7, 2013*
  - b. Seek funding – *Greenway, County Planner, private sources*
  - c. Secure planning firm
  - d. Set building moratorium during the Comp Plan and Zoning update process

8. Update Zoning – *need to establish committee – this may happen in parallel with the Comp Plan*
9. Urban Renewal Agency – *establish the agency and appoint board members*
  - a. Urban Renewal Plan
10. Marketing a Positive Image for Brewster
  - a. Social Media Campaign – *establish Facebook page and other web based activities*
  - b. Press Release re Memorandum of Understanding and the Future of Brewster